

FULLY one-half of the pleasure of cycling consists in being properly clad. We make a specialty of cyclists' clothing. Have the largest and best variety of

Bicycle Suits,
Combination Suits,
Sweaters,
Bicycle and Golf Hose,
Bicycle Shoes,
Bicycle and Golf Caps.

In fact everything necessary for the proper cycling outfit, and sell them at the lowest possible prices consistent with reliability of material and workmanship.

Men's Spring Top Coats, newest styles \$7.50 to \$25.

Robinson & Chery Co
12th and F Sts. N. W.

All of the Spring-weight clothing which we carried over from last season is being sacrificed along with our regular stock. We shall remove to our new building about April 1. In the meantime we shall sell this stock right down to the bare counters. Not a Suit—Nor a Coat shall ever see the new store.

M. DYRENFORTH & CO.,
621 Penna. Avenue N. W.,
Under Metropolitan Hotel.

SAKS SAYS

No other house does, ever did, or ever will, sell such sterling qualities at such low prices as we quote.

The Times

CONSIDERABLE CIRCULATION.

The circulation of The Times for the week ended March 19, 1897, was as follows:
Saturday, March 13..... 38,476
Sunday, March 14..... 24,150
Monday, March 15..... 43,130
Tuesday, March 16..... 37,500
Wednesday, March 17..... 58,102
Thursday, March 18..... 46,274
Friday, March 19..... 39,158

Total copies printed.... 286,790
Less damaged copies, copies unsold in office and copies returned from news stands and branch offices. 16,150

Total..... 270,640

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of circulation for the week ended March 19, 1897.

WILLIAM P. LEECH,
Manager of Circulation.

Advertisers are cordially invited to visit our press and mailing rooms at all times and verify the above statement.

City Brevities

Judge Harner yesterday granted a divorce to Catherine V. Reed from her husband, George F. Reed. The wife is allowed \$50 a month alimony and \$75 for counsel fees.

The Mary Van Rieck with case will be taken to the court of appeals. Judge McCusker yesterday denied a motion for a new trial, and an appeal from his decision was denied.

Capt. Sam C. Lemly, Judge Advocate general of the Navy, has gone to Pittsburgh to receive the honorary degree of doctor of laws, from the Western University of Pennsylvania.

Articles of incorporation of the Eastern Athletic Club were filed yesterday. The incorporators are George A. Mansfield, George F. Gates, Henry J. Bright, William E. Grimes and William H. Wright.

The members of Truck A report that their mascot, "Riggs," a fine collie dog, is missing. The animal has made the run to many fires with the company, and the truckmen are anxious to recover their pet.

THE WILSON & DAVIS STOCK
Affords
BIGGER AND BETTER BARGAINS IN
FINE CLOTHING
Than Were Ever Offered in This City
SALE NOW ON.

H. Friedlander & Bro.,
NINTH AND E STS. N. W.

TOLMAN'S

Steam Laundry, corner Sixth and C, is about the best place in the District for the best of work, promptly, honestly. Have you tried us? One package will convince you of our ability to please.
Postal brings our wagon.

ROMANCE IN THE WEST END

Time Did Not Move Fast Enough for a Young Couple.

Henry C. Staub and Miss Sarah E. Rhodes Went to Baltimore and Got Married.

West Washington has been apprised of a romantic marriage which took place in Baltimore last Monday evening, between Henry C. Staub, of No. 1619 Thirty-second street, and Miss Sarah E. Rhodes, daughter of Superintendent Rhodes, of Arlington Cemetery. So quietly were the details arranged that the news was as surprising to the parents of the young people as to their mere acquaintances.

Mr. Staub and Miss Rhodes have been engaged for some months, and their wedding had been arranged for last December, but Mr. Staub's father dying just previous to that time the marriage was postponed. No other date was set, but it was generally expected that after a suitable time had elapsed another day would be announced for the wedding, and arrangements made for a public ceremony.

In the meantime, however, the young couple decided to take the matter in their own hands, to be married quietly in Baltimore, and to keep their union a secret, for a time at least. Only one other person was informed of their intention, Miss Mae Byrne, of New York avenue, an intimate friend of the bride. Telling her parents that she was going to visit this young lady, Miss Rhodes left her home in Alexandria last Monday and came to Washington.

Mr. Staub went to his work at the store of Thomas L. Hume, as usual, but at 4 o'clock left and went to Baltimore. There he secured a marriage license and returned to Washington immediately. Going to the home of Miss Byrne he called for his fiancée and together they took the 6:50 train for Baltimore.

When Baltimore was reached they drove directly to the home of Bishop James A. Lattin, No. 1412 Park avenue, where the ceremony was performed with two members of the bishop's household acting as witnesses, and at 9:30 o'clock the newly wedded pair were at their respective homes, as if nothing had happened.

When the family of Mr. Staub were asked concerning the matter they thought it a joke and hardly believed it possible. The young couple, however, being that he could no longer keep his marriage secret, thought it best to tell the whole story, and accordingly with his wife went to Arlington to break the news to the bride's parents.

The young people will reside, for the present, with Mr. Staub's parents in Georgetown.

Trial Date Changed Again.

After a consultation between Judge Miller and Prosecutor Mullovey yesterday afternoon it was decided to try on next Tuesday the case against Tolman Archibald Miller, charged with assaulting Mollie Fisher. Judge Miller had set the trial for yesterday for today, but Mr. Mullovey informed him that the docket was already full for today.

HEALTH OF THE CITY.

Facts Shown by the Report of the Vital Statistics Bureau.

The weekly report of the health office shows the following facts:
The mortality of the city decreased sixteen per cent during the past week, as compared with that by the last report. There were 110 deaths certified to the Health Department, of which 62 were white and 48 colored. The annual death rate was 20.4 for the total population, being 16.8 for the white, and 28.1 for the colored.

Of the decedents 45 died from lung diseases, 24 being from pneumonia and 16 from consumption. Other causes were: 16 from typhoid fever, 22 and diphtheria, 1. Deaths among children under five years of age fell from 41 to 31, of whom 22 were under one year old.

No new cases of diphtheria were reported. 7 prenasal were released from quarantine, leaving 9 in isolation, against 16 in the week before. There were two new cases of scarlet fever reported; 2 houses were released from warning cards, and 8 remained in quarantine.

The weather conditions, stated in condensed form, were a mean temperature of the air of 43 degrees, a mean relative humidity of 85, and a mean barometric pressure of 30.01, with a rainfall of 1.93 inches, and mild southerly winds. The thermometer rose from 26 degrees on the 17th to 72 degrees on the 20th, ranging 46 degrees in the three days.

Marriages reported, 20; white, 13; colored, 7.
Births, 76; white, 53; colored, 23.

RAFFLING IS GAMBLING.

Judge Kimball So Declared in a Test Case.

Hereafter those who engage in raffles, whether in a church or private house, are liable to punishment under the gambling laws of the District and will have to take common fare with faro dealers.

Charles Buscher, a young man who resides with his father in Pleasant Plain, near the Soldiers' Home, was tried before Judge Kimball and a jury in the police court, late yesterday afternoon, charged with permitting gambling on his premises.

The evidence tended to show that on March 2 there was a raffle for a horse, followed by a dance, at the Buscher home.

Tickets were sold at 50 cents each, entitling the holder to one chance, or three throws of the dice for the animal.

The defense, represented by Attorneys Cook and Kelly, claimed that the house in which the raffle took place was owned and controlled by the defendant's father, and therefore his client was not liable under the new gambling law, which makes raffling an offense. Also that the proceeds were devoted to paying the musicians, who played at the dance.

The horse, which one witness said was not worth \$3, was won by Mrs. Buscher, mother of the defendant.

Judge Kimball in charging the jury said the gambling law covered raffles as a species of gambling.

When the jurors returned to the court-

LOOK OUT FOR THE BIG YELLOW SIGNS.

GARNER & CO'S RETIRING SALE

Men's Suits begin at \$2.50, Children's Suits at 75c, at this tremendous slaughter of fine CLOTHING. Come here for your Spring Suit and save big money.

\$2.50

GARNER & CO., OUTFITTERS,
Seventh and H Sts.



Modern Suburban Homes Only \$19 Per Month.

These houses are of brick, have 8 rooms and bath, verandas, sanitary plumbing, city water, gas, sewers, porcelain lined roll-rim bathtubs, electric bells, ranges, hot and cold water, speaking tubes, southern pine edge grain floors, tiled fireplaces, handsome mantels and are beautifully papered.
They are erected on terraced lots, with substantial copings, steps and walks. The lots are 18 feet wide by 100 feet in depth, to a 15-foot alley, shaded by a beautiful grove.
The location is in Petworth, near the Soldiers' Home, on the Brightwood Electric car line. For further information apply to

EDWIN A. NEWMAN, 611 Seventh Street N. W.

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE! QUICK BUYERS

Are reaping a harvest of substantial bargains at this great Fire Sale.

\$20,000 WORTH

Of Dry Goods, Notions, Ladies' and Men's Furnishings, MUST BE SOLD. Don't delay a moment. Come in and get your share of these wonderful bargains.

912 SEVENTH STREET N. W.

room, the foreman said they were unable to agree upon a verdict. Lawyer Kelly then withdrew the plea of not guilty and entered one of guilty for Buscher.

Prosecutor Mullovey stated that under the circumstances, and as this was the first case of raffling tried under the new gambling law, he would ask that the defendant's personal bonds be accepted, which was done.

"I only want to establish the precedent," said the prosecutor, "that those who hold raffles hereafter are guilty of gambling."

Mrs. Baker Applies for Divorce.
Emma Baker yesterday applied for a divorce from her husband, William T. Baker. The papers in the case were, by order of the court, locked up and could not be seen.

The Busy Corner,
8th and Market Space

S. Kann, Sons & Co.

Our Results Are Strong Convincers!

Our advertisements only begin in new papers—the strongest part of them is their fulfillment in magazine values that force recognition and install confidence. Facts are what count—not promises. The substance that test of time has proved our reliability, and that there is no such store for results as this.

Truth That Spreads Every Day.

Millinery.

Satin Violets, 5 dozen in a bunch, light and dark shades. Special..... 1.60
4-inch All-Bk Fancy Striped Gauze Ribbon, in every imaginable coloring. Special..... 1.50
Black Neapolitan and Fancy Braid Hats, in all the latest shapes. Special..... 45c
Straw Tan ornaments extra fine quality, in all colors. Special..... 49c

Underskirts.

Ladies' Black Satteen Skirts, umbrella styles, three ruffles, for..... 79c
Ladies' Figured Percale Skirts, umbrella style, colored ruffles, for..... 79c
Ladies' Chambray Cloth Skirt, for..... 49c
Ladies' Satteen Skirts, umbrella style, with colored ruffles or braid trimmings, choice of several styles..... 98c
Ladies' Moreen Skirts, satteen facing, velvet binding, for..... 1.49
Boys' Gingham Dresses, plaid skirts, sailor collar, large sleeves, feather trimmings. Regular 69c. value..... 39c
Special lot of children's Hats and Caps in lawn and silk. Regular 70c. value..... 49c
Infants' Knitted Sacques, pink and blue edg's, full sleeves..... 25c

Special Sale

Of Rugs to make room for our big display of trunks.
Hindus Reversible Rugs, 24x36; Brussels Rugs, 24x36. Regular price 40c. Reduced to..... 22c
Body Brussels Rugs, size 27x36; India Rugs, size 36x72. Hindus Reversible, size 30x54. Regular price 70c. Reduced to..... 49c
Rugs, size 22x50; Real Wilton Rugs, size 22x50. Regular price \$1.50. Reduced to..... 98c
Moquet Rugs, size 27x54; Wilton Rugs, size 30x54; Velvet Rugs, size 27x54; Axminster Rugs, size 30x54. Regular prices, \$2 and 2.50. Reduced to..... 1.49
Genuine Smyrna Rugs, size 30x60, in patterns of animals or figured. Regular price, \$3. Reduced to..... 1.98

MAYER & PETTIT

TODAY AND TOMORROW

Grand Spring Opening

PRETTY GIFTS FOR ALL OUR VISITORS.

This will be an exhibition of all the latest novelties and fashions, both of Furniture and Clothing. It is a special occasion, and we mark its importance by presenting as a Souvenir a beautiful medallion on a wire easel to each of our visitors.
This is just the opportunity Washingtonians should avail themselves of for comparing our qualities, our styles and our prices with others. We fear no adverse criticism, for on these points—desirable ones for purchasers—we know we excel.

ALL DEPARTMENTS "EN FETE."

We cordially invite a thorough inspection of all our Departments—Furniture—Carpets—Men's Clothing—Children's Clothing—Ladies' Clothing and Cloaks. The goods displayed cannot fail to please—the styles and price in everything being irresistibly attractive. The Opening will continue two days—Thursday and Friday—to enable all our friends and customers to pay a call. We have determined to put all prices on a reduced scale for these two days. It will be a buying opportunity not to be neglected.

SPECIAL OPENING PRICES.

Furniture Department.

Fine Oak China Closets, from **\$4.50**
Oak Bookcases, from **4.50**
Best Gasoline Stoves, from **2.98**
Large Arm Rockers, from **99c**
White Enamel Easels, from **1.25**
Solid Oak Extension Tables, from **2.98**
Fine Oak Bedroom Suites, with beveled plate glass, from **14.50**

Furniture Dept.—Continued.

5-Piece Tapestry Parlor Suites, from **\$14.50**
Brass and Steel Enamelled Beds, from **3.48**
Parlor Tables, from **35c**
Antique finished Rockers, from **58c**
Fine 5-drawer Oak Chiffoniers, from **4.25**
Onyx and Brass Tables, from **3.50**
Fine Oak Desks, from **4.50**

Furniture Dept.—Continued.

Brass Parlor Lamps, with Shades, from **\$2.25**
Rattan Baby Carriages, from **3.25**
Cane seat Oak Dining-room Chairs, from **68c**
Fine hardwood Refrigerators, from **6.98**
Fine beveled plate glass Oak Sideboards, from **10.50**
Large Oak Hall Racks, from **4.85**

Furniture Dept.—Continued.

10-Piece Decorated Toilet Sets, from **\$1.98**
Very durable fringed Couches, from **4.48**
Parlor Screens, from **98c**
Carpet and Matting Department.
Fancy Matting, from **9c**
Ingrain Carpets, from **22½c**
Brussels Carpets, from **55c**

Clothing and Cloak Department.

Ladies' Silk Waists, from **\$2.25**
Ladies' Skirts full width, from **1.25**
Ladies' fine Coat Suits from **5.50**
Children's Suits from **98c**
Boys' Suits, from **3.98**
Men's All-wool Suits, from **5.50**
Men's Wool Pants, from **1.62**
Men's Hats, from **98c**
Boys' Caps, from **21c**

CASH OR CREDIT

Furniture and Clothing,
415-417 Seventh St.

MAYER & PETTIT,

Reliable Outfitters,
415-417 Seventh St.